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Ms. Alexandra K. Smith, Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Smith:

**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR HANFORD
FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY
AGREEMENT) MILESTONE M-083-00A**

- References: (1) Ecology ltr. to D. S. Shoop, RL, from A. K. Smith, "Re: Notification that Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Milestone M-083-00A Will Not Be Met," (17-NWP-120), dtd. September 15, 2017.
- (2) RL ltr. to M. D. Bellon, Ecology, and M. Pirzadeh, EPA, "Notification that Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Milestone M-083-00A Will Not Be Met," (17-AMRP-0250), dtd. September 1, 2017.

The purpose of this letter is to respond to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) request for additional information for Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-083-00A regarding the Plutonium Finishing Plant (PFP). You had requested information pertaining to an updated schedule for completion of the milestone, and a description of the impacts on the U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) budget in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018.

At this time, Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-083-00A is estimated to be finished by the end of this calendar year or early next year. Due to recent changes in the approach and boundaries for the remaining demolition of PFP, a detailed project schedule is being finalized by our contractor and has not been analyzed by RL. Subsequent to our review and input, an updated demolition schedule will be made available to Ecology.

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We have identified sufficient carryover funding associated with work in the Central Plateau that will allow for completion of remaining PFP activities in support of the Tri-Party Agreement milestone to demolish to slab-on-grade. As a result, no impacts are anticipated to other RL work due to the continuation of PFP demolition into FY 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Joe Franco, Assistant Manager for the River and Plateau on (509) 373-9971.

Sincerely,


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